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THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Friday, the 12th September 1958.

The House met in the Council Chamber, Fort St. George, at three of the clock, Mr. Chairman (THE HON. DR. P. V. CHERIAN) in the Chair.

I.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

Superintendents in the Madras Secretariat Service.

* 16 Q.—DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal before the Government to convert the non-gazetted posts of Superintendents in the Madras Secretariat Service into Gazetted posts; and

(*b*) if so, whether there is any proposal to bring there within the purview of the Madras Public Service Commission?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN (on behalf of the Hon. the Chief Minister) (*a*) No, Sir.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Indigenous systems of medicine

* 17 Q.—SRI A. GAJAPATHY NAYAGAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether and when any amount has been sanctioned by the Central Government for purposes of research in the indigenous systems of medicine in the College of Integrated Medicine;

(*b*) if so, the amounts allotted for (i) Ayurveda, (ii) Unani and (iii) Siddha; and

(*c*) the amounts spent out of the same?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (*a*) Yes, Sir. A sum of Rs. 20,000 was sanctioned by the Government of India in February 1958.

(*b*) No separate amount has been allotted for Ayurveda, Unani and Siddha but the Government of India have granted financial assistance at the rate of Rs. 2,000 per bed for the Research Scheme.

(*c*) Rs. 724·19 till 30th June 1958.

SRI K. BALASUBRAMANYA AYYAR : We have been frequently reading in the papers that the Government of India have been giving various grants to various States in this Union. Unfortunately, why is it that we have not applied for any such